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TWO DELHI PAPERS JUNE 13 CARRY EDITORIALS ON SECRETARY'S STATEMENT TO SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY
HINDUSTAN TIMES EDITORIAL: SECRETARY'S STATEMENT THAT THERE FEARS IN SOME QUARTERS OVER AID TO INDIA SHOULD CAUSE SURPRISE IN INDIA, NOT BECAUSE OF FEARS BUT BECAUSE "MR. RUSK SHOULD THINK THEY ARISE OUT OF 'REAL PROBLEMS.'" SECRETARY FACES DIFFICULT TASK OF OBTAINING CONGRESSIONAL SANCTION FOR ASSISTANCE "WHICH MIGHT HAVE PASSED MUSTER IF IT HAD BEEN SPREAD OVER FIFTEEN YEARS BUT WHICH IS BOUND TO PROVOKE ANXIOUS QUESTIONING WHEN IT IS SOUGHT TO BE CONCENTRATED IN TWO OR THREE YEARS."

BEHIND CRITICISM OF EXPENDITURE ARE "MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL ATTITUDES FORMED OVER A PERIOD IN PARTICULAR SITUATION WHICH ARE APT TO SURVIVE EVEN AFTER SITUATION HAS CHANGED." THERE EVIDENCE THAT US PUBLIC OPINION BEGINNING TO REACT TO CHANGES BROUGHT ABOUT BY CHICOM AGGRESSION, "THOUGH RESPONSE IS SLOWER THAN THAT OF ADMINISTRATION." RADHAKRISHNAN'S VISIT UNDOUBTEDLY OF GREAT VALUE IN CREATING BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF INDIA'S POSITION, POLICIES AND NEEDS AND JOINT COMMUNIQUE "RECORDS UNEQUIVOCAL COMMITMENT TO MEET CHINESE CHALLENGE." SECRETARY'S STATEMENT "HAS LAID STRESS ON TRUE NATURE OF CONFLICT BETWEEN TWO RADICALLY DIFFERENT POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS" AND "ANTITHESIS BETWEEN ALIGNED AND NON-ALIGNED SEEMS SOMEWHAT IRRELEVANT IN THIS CONTEXT." EDITORIAL ENDORSES SECRETARY'S VIEWS THAT "THERE NO DOUBT THAT DEFENSE OF SUBCONTINENT INDIVISIBLE" AND THAT "THIS WILL BECOME IMPREGNABLE IF THERE PEACE AND HARMONY BETWEEN INDIA AND PAKISTAN," BUT SAYS "NOTION THAT HARMONY WILL BE ACHIEVED AUTOMATICALLY ONCE KASHMIR ISSUE SOMEHOW SOLVED IS OBVIOUSLY MISTAKEN." END SUMMARY.

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PATRIOT EDITORIAL ENTITLED "MR. RUSK, STRATEGIST" SAYS "FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BRAINWASHED THEMSELVES INTO BELIEF THAT US ARMS AID MUST BE GOT WHATEVER THE COST, ONLY THING WORTH ATTENTION IN MR. RUSK'S STATEMENT IS THAT US SHOULD BE PREPARED TO AID INDIA'S DEFENSE" AND "IT SEEMS OF NO IMPORTANCE TO THEM THAT WHAT HE PROPOSES IS THAT INDIA SHOULD GIVE UP ITS INDEPENDENT POLICIES AND BECOME, LIKE PAKISTAN, WHAT MR. RUSK CALLS A 'REAL ALLY.'"

ARTICLE SAYS "INDIVISIBLE SUBCONTINENT IS PIECE OF HUMBUG" AND "THERE CAN BE NO COMMON DEFENSE OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN BECAUSE PAKISTAN IS IN ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF PART OF KASHMIR AND HAS SIGNED PACT WITH CHINESE AGGRESSOR BY TRADING INDIAN TERRITORY." EDITORIAL ALSO SAYS "MR. RUSK EVIDENTLY HOPES ARMS AID CAN BE USED AS BAIT TO INDIA TO COMPROMISE POLICY" RE KASHMIR BUT "HE AND LEADERS OF US SHOULD KNOW THAT INDIA CANNOT MAKE ANY DISTINCTION BETWEEN AGGRESSION COMMITTED BY PAKISTAN AND CHINA AND THAT BY CONDONING ONE, INDIA WILL ONLY WEAKEN ITSELF IN FIGHTING THE OTHER. EDITORIAL CONCLUDES THAT US IDEA OF INDIAN REQUIREMENTS "OBVIOUSLY DIFFERENT FROM INDIA'S" AND US INTEREST "IN NOT ALLOWING INDIA TO ACQUIRE SUFFICIENT STRENGTH TO DEFEND ITSELF IS UNDERSTANDABLE" BUT WHAT IS DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND IS PATHETIC HOPE IN SOME OF OUR OWN PEOPLE THAT US WILL ASSIST US IN DEVELOPING THAT STRENGTH."

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